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TO : Chief, Industrial Division

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FROM : Acting Chief, Consumer Industries Branch

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for June 1957

1. Accomplishmentsa. Projects Completed

- 25X1A9a (1) With the calculation of production indexes for light industry by [REDACTED] I/CI's contribution to "Progress and Problems of the European Satellite Economies in 1956" (10.1509) was completed. ✓
- 25X1A9a (2) "Soviet Ruble-Dollar Ratios for Consumer Goods" (10.1626) was completed by [REDACTED] Using 1955 data, he found that the ratio for total Soviet household consumption of goods and services is 9 to 1 if Soviet quantity weights are used, and 16 to 1 if US quantity weights are used. ✓
- 25X1A9a (3) "Domestic Trade in Communist China" (38.1648), a prospective PR or RR was completed by [REDACTED] and submitted for D/I review. ✓
- (4) Production estimates for cotton, rayon and wool yarns and leather footwear for selected years, 1938 to 1956 in all Bloc countries were reviewed for the "Economic Intelligence Handbook" (00.1758). ✓
- 25X1A9a (5) "New Hungarian Policies Restrict Consumption", a CSM (No. 489) written by [REDACTED] was published on 20 June 1957. ✓

b. Status of Other Projects

- 25X1A9a (1) [REDACTED] continued work on "Price Trends in Consumer Expenditures in the USSR" (30.1534). He is also working on a special request by Chief, Economic Research for data on the Soviet textile industry.
- 25X1A9a (2) [REDACTED] continued work on "Expenditures on Consumer Services in the USSR" (30.1771).
- 25X1A9a (3) [REDACTED] continued work on synthetic fibers and fabrics in the USSR. A project initiation has been submitted jointly by Chief, I/CI and Chief, M/C requesting that a joint

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I/CI-M/C project on synthetics be initiated with I/CI designated as the action branch. She is also working on the above-mentioned special request project for Ch/E.

- 25X1A9a (4) [REDACTED] began work on a revision of the domestic trade section (65) of NIS 18 (40.1791).
- 25X1A9a (5) [REDACTED] continued work on "The Housing Problem in the European Satellites" (38.1741).
- 25X1A9a (6) [REDACTED] are reviewing the status of I/CI's Satellite production estimate cards.
- 25X1A9a (7) [REDACTED] continued work on "Industrial Capital Investment in Light Industry in Communist China" (30.1535).
- 25X1A9a (8) [REDACTED] has submitted "Domestic Trade in Communist China" (38.1648) for D/I review; he is now working with Deputy Chief, D/I in a review of this report.

2. Training

- 25X1A9a a. [REDACTED] completed teaching the ORR Statistics Course, "Introduction to Economic Statistics."
- 25X1A9a b. [REDACTED] completed the O/TNG Basic Management Course, B-8.
- 25X1A9a c. [REDACTED] completed the ORR Report Writing Course.
- 25X1A9a d. [REDACTED] completed the O/TNG Basic Supervision Course, B-7.
- 25X1A9a e. [REDACTED] completed the ORR Statistics Course.

3. Trips and Speeches

None

4. Administration

- 25X1A9a a. [REDACTED], branch secretary, left the Agency. Her last day was 21 June. She has been replaced by [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
- 25X1A9a b. [REDACTED] Chief, I/CI is on vacation. He is expected to return 15 July.

5. Plans

Nothing new to report.

6. Problems

Nothing to report.

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